Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 09 Oct 2022 until 23:59 on Monday 10 Oct 2022

Forecast Issued on Sunday 09 Oct 2022 at 03:27 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a period of wet and very windy weather for a time on Sunday, then drier conditions on Monday and Tuesday but still quite windy.

Headline for Sunday 09 Oct 2022: Becoming wet during morning and early afternoon. Also very windy. Drier weather following from west later in afternoon with winds easing.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 09 Oct 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Medium Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Sleet showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
10%	50%	80%	70%	20%	30%

Forecast for Sunday 09 Oct 2022

Weather: Cloudy with rain soon reaching Skye and Knoydart, extending eastwards to most ranges during the morning. The rain will become heavy for a time, especially over hills near to West Coast, turning to sleet on highest peaks before clearing late in the afternoon. Clear periods and scattered showers following during evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60% reducing 20% by late morning, mostly confined to northeast of area. Chances improving 60% during evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility at first with canopy of cloud mostly about 800m, lowering to about 600 to 700m as rain arrives. Also turning misty with poor visibility in heavier rain. The visibility will become good by early evening with clouds lifting and breaking up.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	61/72 S	57/70 S	55/68 S	31/39 W	36/45 SW	37/47 SW	35/45 W
900	56/66 S	53/66 S	50/64 S	29/38 W	34/44 SW	35/45 SW	33/43 W
600	41/52 S	38/51 S	36/50 S	20/29 W	23/32 SW	23/33 SW	22/32 W
300	6/45 S	9/48 S	8/46 S	10/31 W	7/32 W	7/33 SW	8/32 W
Glen	18/38 S	22/45 S	20/43 S	10/20 W	8/19 SW	13/28 SW	12/27 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	3/-6	4/-5	5/-3	2/-5	1/-6	1/-7	1/-7
900	4/-5	4/-4	6/-2	3/-4	2/-5	2/-6	2/-6
600	6/-0	7/1	8/2	5/0	5/-1	4/-1	4/-1
300	9/7	9/7	10/8	7/5	6/4	7/5	7/4
Glen	12/8	12/8	12/8	10/7	9/7	9/6	9/6
Freezing Level*	2000m	2000m	2200m	1700m	1100m	1200m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Conditions will become dangerous for a time over higher ridges and summits due to combination of severe gale or storm force winds, low temperatures and persistent rain, turning to sleet on highest peaks.

Forecast for Monday 10 Oct 2022

Weather: Bright spells and blustery showers, wintry above about 900m, becoming fewer in the afternoon. Windy and feeling bitterly cold.

Maximum wind: Strong northwest winds, average speeds of 30 to 40mph with gusts 60mph, gradually easing later in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%, best in east of area.

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility away from showers with cloud patches about 700m. Brief reductions to poor visibility as showers pass by with more extensive cloud cover.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to 12 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1100m.

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